



JOEL DAVID MALENOVSKY

Graveside Service
 Friday, September 12, 2025 at 11:00 a.m.
 Custer County Cemetery
 Miles City, Montana

Officiating
 Father Jolly Pathiyamoola

Pallbearers
 All of Joel's friends and family
 are considered honorary pallbearers.

*Following the graveside service,
 A luncheon will be held at the Riley Center.
 Everyone is invited.*

Arrangements By
 Stevenson & Sons Funeral Home



IN LOVING MEMORY OF
JOEL MALENOVSKY
 MAY 30, 1973 - SEPTEMBER 7, 2025



Joel David Malenovsky was born on May 30, 1973, in Miles City, Montana, to Carla King and Wes Malenovsky. He graduated from Custer County District High School in 1992.

Over the years, Joel worked at a variety of places—including the jokingly nicknamed “Taco Joel’s Johns” —before finding his calling in construction. After gaining experience with several contractors, he struck out on his own and founded JM Construction, a business he poured his heart into.

In 2002, Joel met his future wife, Samantha Hollowell. The two dated off and on until February 13, 2004, when Joel proposed. Why Friday the 13th? Simply because he couldn’t wait until Valentine’s Day. They were married a year later, on May 14, 2005. Joel and Samantha welcomed their first daughter, Caitlin, on April 8, 2008. Joel proudly chose her name himself. Their second daughter, Brooklin, was born on October 19, 2010, bringing even more joy into their lives.

Joel was a loving husband—sometimes causing his wife great grief but always standing by her side through many health struggles. He was her steady shoulder to lean on, even when he was the only support she had.

Those who knew Joel understood his deep love for animals. His faithful dog Gepetto was a familiar sight on job sites, later followed by Peyton. He also adored cats, often dancing with them while singing *Stayin’ Alive* or a tune from Guns N’ Roses.

As a dad, Joel poured his heart into his daughters. When they were little, Sundays became a ritual: a trip to the gas station, then off to Walmart, where the girls would drop hints about toys—and Joel, ever the pushover, would happily oblige. At home, the garage turned into a jam session, with Joel singing off-key while the girls banged on buckets with wrenches, or into an arena for lightsaber battles that sometimes went a little too far. He was always present at their sports games, cheering from his truck with all the dogs in tow. Joel loved boating with Brooklin and hunting with Caitlin, creating memories that will last a lifetime.

Generous to the core, Joel never hesitated to help others—whether by lending a hand, a tool, or a piece of equipment, usually free of charge. He always seemed to have just what you needed, thanks in part to never missing a DeWalt sale. He believed strongly in second chances and tried to see the best in everyone, sometimes to a fault.

Joel’s passing leaves a deep ache in the hearts of his family. His wife, who shared a lifetime of love, challenges, and laughter with him, feels the absence of her greatest companion and steadfast supporter. The quiet moments, once filled with Joel’s presence, now remind her of the strength and comfort he always provided. His kids miss their dad’s big heart, his sense of humor, and the way he made every day brighter. They hold tight to his stories, his advice, and the love that will always surround them. Though their hearts ache, they carry him with them in everything they do.

Joel is survived by his wife, Samantha; daughters, Caitlin and Brooklin; mother and father Carla King and Wes Malenovsky; sister, Amber Malenovsky, and many nieces and nephews.

In lieu of flowers, please send memorials in Joe;'s name to the American Diabetes Association - Montana. For donations by mail: P.O. Box 7023, Merrifield, VA 22116

